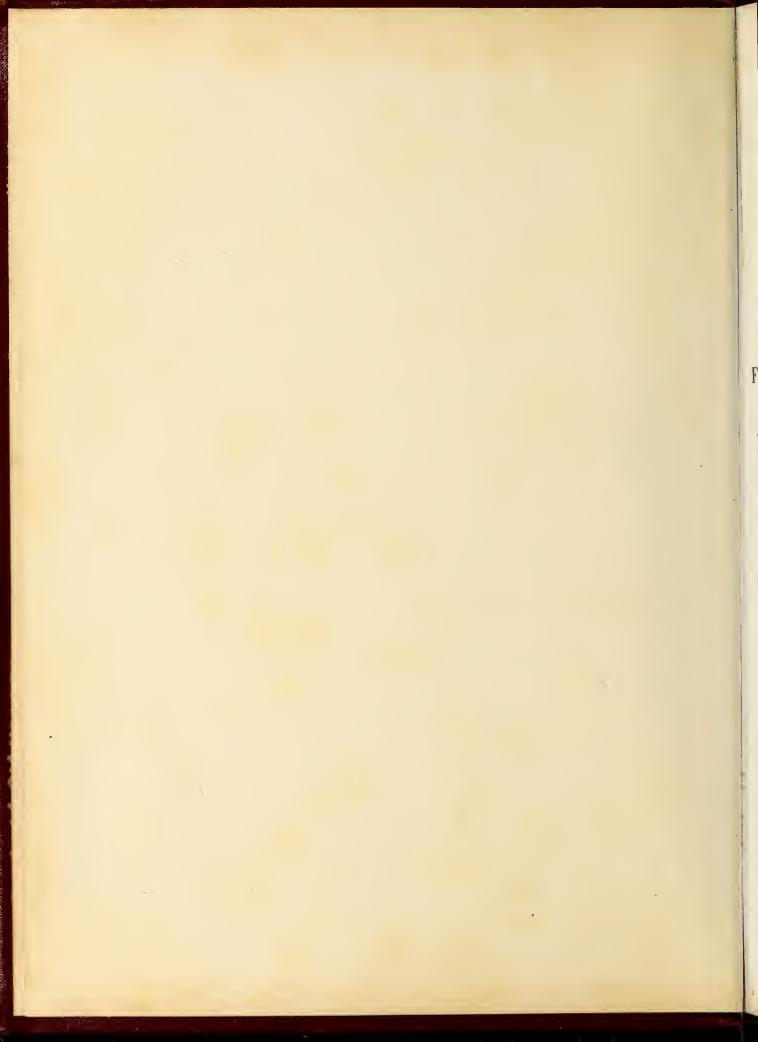
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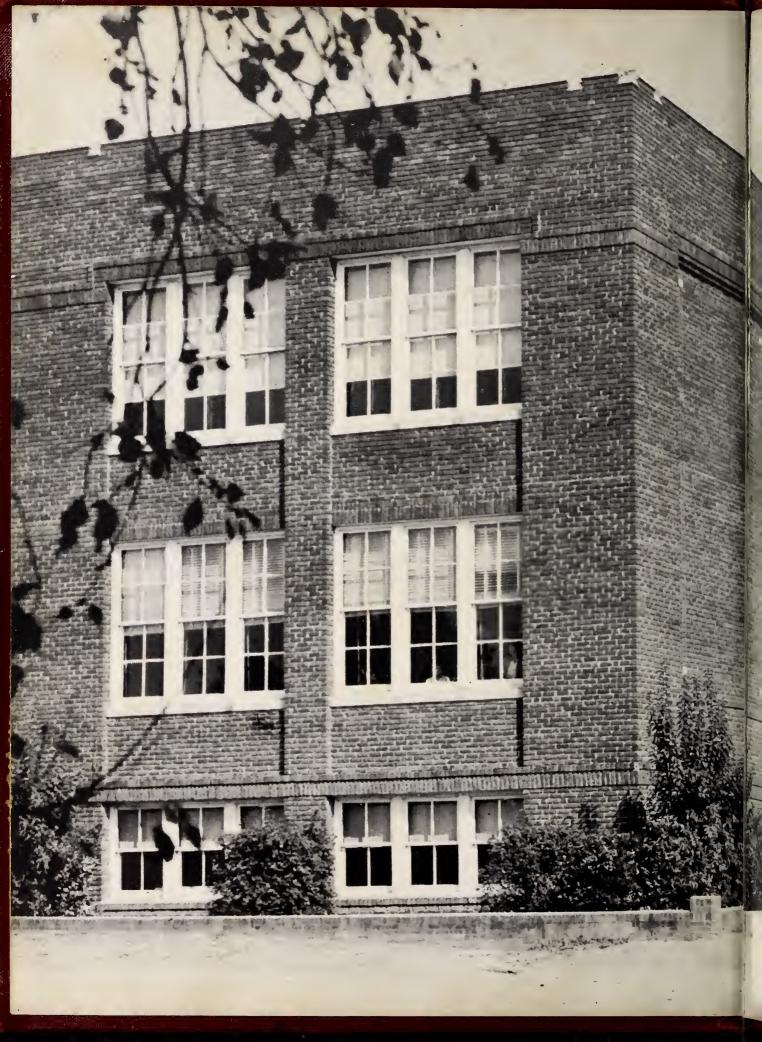
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FOUR OAKS HIGH SCHOOL

Four Oaks, North Carolina









"YOU ARE THE QUEEN OF OUR HEARTS



FOUR OAKS HIGH SCHOOL"

Dedication



To our Senior Teacher, Miss Margaret Tabor

Because of her unflagging interest in us, we are happy to dedicate the 1951 edition of The Acorn to her.





"The bells of Four Oaks High

Ah! hear they are calling"

Jaculty



MRS. ADAMS



MRS. BARNES



MR. J. T. HATCHER, Principal



MRS. ALLEN



MRS. BRYANT



MISS BULLARD



MR. CREECH



MISS DOLES



MRS. FORBES



MISS GUNNERSEN



MRS. HATCHER



MISS LANGLEY



MISS PATTERSON



MR. SANDERSON



MISS SCARBOROUGH



MR. SMITH



MISS TABOR



MRS. WARD



MRS. WILKINS



MR, WOODARD

Mascots



TONY JOHNSON

PORTIA THOMAS

The Mascots Present The Senior Class of 1951

"GRADUATION SONG"







BILLY ADAMS

If you want to know something, ask Billy



ELWOOD ADAMS

He's one on whom you can depend Always to be a loyal friend



WAYLON ADAMS

His quick wit and ready smile Are devoid of any guile.



DOROTHY ALLEN

Ready for everything be it work or play, An all-round good girl in every way,



EARL ALLEN

With never a worry, never a sorrow, And never a thought for the morrow,



ILA FRANCES ALLEN

She's one on whom you can rely To do her part as time goes by.



MARJORIE ALLEN

A sweet and friendly girl is she; No finer will there ever be.



MURIEL ALLEN

Industrious, loyal, and true, Ready if there is work to do.



THELMA ALLEN

Her modest looks a cottage might adorn,
Sweet as the primrose which peeps beneath the thorn,



THOMAS BAKER

His care was never to offend, And every creature was his friend.



LINWOOD BARBOUR

If worry were the cause of death, then Linwood would live forever.



MARJORIE BARBOUR

A sweet and friendly girl is she, No finer will there ever be.



SARAH BARBOUR

A warm-hearted, dependable girl,
Unruffled by life's dizzy
whirl.



NORWOOD BIZZELL

His ability to figure and calculate Made students follow in his wake.



ALMA JEAN BLACKMON

Always jumping and in a whirl, Where did you get that energy, girl?



BILLY BLACKMON

Rare is the one who knoweth his potentialities.



KAY RAY BLACKMON

Large brown eyes and brown hair too, There's nothing she wouldn't do for you.



BRUCE BROWN

A merry heart doth good like medicine!



MAURICE CANADAY

Not only athletic but studious too, Almost anything he can so.



CHARLES CAPPS

Full of fun, vigor, and pep; He's always in there and in step.



BILLY CREECH

Never a worry, never a care, Ever happy beyond compare.



BROOKIE CREECH

Modest, quiet, and demure, But very wise, you may Be sure.



LILLIAN CREECH

Her winning ways would melt a pot Of gold.



VIVIAN HANSLEY

You'd think she wasn't versatile on account Of her size, But watch her, my friend, And you'll get a surprise.



MARGARET HASKETT

Always dependable, clever and sincere, For her bright future, we have no fear..



GRAY HAYES

Kind in thought, in word, in deed, Always a friend when you're in need.



BILLY HOCKADAY

For if he will, he will, you may depend on't.

And if he won't, he won't, and there's an end on't.



RETHA JERNIGAN

A very sweet girl quiet and demure. One of those friends of whom you'll Always be sure.



BOBBY JOHNSON

A tall, thin, and lanky lad, Who is sometimes thoughtful, but Never sad.



DENNIS JOHNSON

Sometimes happy, sometimes sad, Sometimes naughty, but never bad.



SHIRLEY JOHNSON

Her quiet, gentle, and maidenly ways Have won for her much esteem and praise.



THOMAS JOHNSON

Look back on his record and you'll Know he's the one to reach his goal, If it's the sun.



WILLA MAE JOHNSON

Full of life, sense and wit, Lots of fun and plenty of grit.



A. B. JONES

He's always full of fun and joy, A favorite with any girl or boy.



BILLY RAY LASSITER A ladies' man is he

no doubt,
For where he is
girls are about.



EDWARD LASSITER

Where there's a joke, a laugh or a smile, You'll know that he has been there a while.



DORIS Mc LAMB

Never idle, never still, Always talking, always will.



JEAN MASSENGILL

Life is not a spectacle, nor a feast; lt's a predicament.



BARBARA MAYES

Studious (in the classroom), always on the run,
She'll take time out to have a lot of fun.



MERLE NORRIS

Always happy, cheerful, and gay, You'll never see her another way.



EDITH GRAY PARKER

A very good sport in every game, ln everything else, she is the same.



JOSEPH PARRISH

Always jolly and quite carefree, Life may be dull but never he.



LOUISE POWELL

Precious things are done up in little packages.



PEGGY POWELL

Character is the only true diploma.



ELIZABETH PRICE

Kindliness, friendliness, everything nice -Those are traits of Elizabeth Price.



BETTIE STANLEY

A tall, thin
well-liked blonde,
Of her everyone is
fond.



BROOKIE STRICKLAND

If there's a good time to be found, You'll know that she will be around.



JEAN TEMPLE

With her friendly smile, she'll have no foes. She'll make friends wherever she goes.



BOWDEN THORNTON

A friendly boy, whom they say Will do his best at work or play.



KATIE LEE WILLIFORD

She is good as she is wise.



DERWOOD COBB

Another state lured Derwood away, But he loved N.C. too well to stay.



Class Officers

Ila Frances AllenPresidentA. B. JonesVice-PresidentDennis JohnsonSecretaryWaylon AdamsTreasurer

"High On The List"



Best Looking MARJORIE BARBOUR BILLY RAY LASSITER



Cutest MARJORIE ALLEN BILLY HOCKADAY

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Most Likely To Succeed JEAN MASSENGILL THOMAS JOHNSON

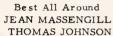


Most Intellectual BARBARA MAYES THOMAS JOHNSON

"High On The List"



Biggest Baby BROOKIE STRICKLAND JOSEPH PARRISH





Most Athletic DOROTHY ALLEN MAURICE CANADAY



"High On The List"



Best Dressed MARJORIE ALLEN THOMAS JOHNSON



Biggest Flirt BILLY ADAMS BROOKIE STRICKLAND

Most Popular MARJORIE BARBOUR MAURICE CANADAY



Most Pleasing Personality
ILA FRANCES ALLEN
THOMAS JOHNSON



Senior Directory

BILLY ADAMS - Baseball 1; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Student Council Representative 3; Monogram Club 3, 4; Debating Club 4; Bus Drivers' Club 4; Biggest Flirt; Latin Club 1; Junior Play; Chairman of Calendar Committee 3; Glee Club 4.

ELWOOD ADAMS - Baseball 2, 3; Monogram Club 3, 4; F. F. A. Club President 4; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4.

DOROTHY ALLEN - Student Council 1, 3; Acorn Club 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Secretary 1; Monogram Club 4; Monogram Club President 4; Acorn Club Vice-Pres. 4; Basketball Team 2, 3, 4; Most Athletic; Basketball Team Captain 4; Oak Leaf Staff 4.

EARL ALLEN - Bus Drivers' Club 3; F.F.A. Club Sentinel 4.

ILA FRANCES ALLEN - Senior Class President; Acorn Club 4; Glee Club 4; F.H.A. Club 2, 3,4; Parliamentarian of F.H.A. Club 2; President of F.H.A. Club 3; Program Chairman of F.H.A. Club 4; Latin Club 1; Student Council Representative 3; Junior Play; Most Pleasing Personality.

MARJORIE ALLEN - Freshman Homeroom Secretary; Sophomore Class Secretary; Junior Homeroom Secretary; Latin Club; Acorn Club 2; National Honor Society 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; National Honor Society President 4; Library Staff.

MURIEL ALLEN - Acorn Club 2, 3; National Honor Society 4; Vice-President of National Honor Society 4; Glee Club 1.

THOMAS BAKER - Homeroom Chairman 1; Student Council 2, 3; Secretary of F. F. A. Club 3; Homeroom Treasurer 4; Art-Editor Oak Leaf 4; Art-Editor Annual 4.

LINWOOD BARBOUR - Basketball 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Calendar Committee 4.

MARJORIE BARBOUR - Homeroom Secretary 1; Monogram Club 4; Cheerleader 3; Glee Club 1; Most Popular; Best-Looking Girl.

SARAH BARBOUR - F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1.

ALMA JEAN BLACKMON - Latin Club President 1; Library Staff 1, 2; Library Staff Secretary 2; Acorn Club 2; Sophomore Oak Leaf Reporter 2; National Honor Society 2, 3, 4; Junior Homeroom Secretary; Chief Marshal 3; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; Reporter for Bus Drivers' Club 4.

BILLY BLACKMON - Baseball 2, 3; Monogram Club 3, 4; Oak Leaf Staff 4; Student Council 4.

KAY RAY BLACKMON - Freshman Class Secretary & Treasurer; Representative to Student Council 2; Junior Class Treasurer; Business Manager of Annual; Basketball Team 2; Glee Club 1; F.H.A. Club 1.

NORWOOD BIZZELL - Representative to Student Council 1; Treasurer of F. F. A. Club 3; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; President of Bus Drivers' Club 4; Secretary of F. F. A. Club 4.

BRUCE BROWN - Marshal 3.

MAURICE CANADAY - President of Freshman Class; Latin Club 1; Presidentof Sophomore Class; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Vice-President Monogram Club 3; Acorn Club 4; Debating Club 3, 4; Captain of Basketball Team 4; Student Council 1, 2, 4; Student Council President 4; Library Staff 3, 4; Ass't. Business Manager of Annual 4; Class Attorney 4; Marshal 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Glee Club Librarian 3; Junior Class Play; Male Quartet 4.

CHARLES CAPPS - Acorn Club 2, 3; National Honor Society 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Debate Club 3, 4; Monogram Club 4; Chief-Cheerleader 3; Soil Conservation Essay Winner 1, 2; Council Representative 2; Council Vice-President 4; Latin Club 1; Debate Trophy Winner 3; Junior Play; Acorn Club President 3; Captain Oak-Leaf Sales Campaign 4; Male Quartet 4.

BROOKIE CREECH - Glee Club 1; Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 3, 4; Parliamentarian of F.H.A. Club 1; Basketball 1.

LILLIAN CREECH - Glee Club 1, 2; Acorn Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Staff 2.

Senior Directory

VIVIAN HANSLEY - Representative to Student Council 1; Basketball 1.

MARGARET HASKETT - Chairman of Homeroom 1; Vice-President of Latin Club 1; Homeroom Secretary 2; Acorn Club 2; National Honor Society 3, 4; Library Staff 1, 2; Oak Leaf Reporter 3; National Honor Society Reporter 3; F.H.A. Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club Reporter 3; Editor-in-Chief of Jak Leaf 4; Marshal 3.

GRAY HAYES - Glee Club 4; Softball 1,2; 4-H Club 1; Latin Club 1; Calendar Committee 4.

BILLY HOCKADAY - Homeroom Chairman 2,4; Baseball 1,2,3; Vice Pres. Monogram Club 4.

RETHA JERNIGAN - Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. Club 2, 3, 4; Acorn Club 3, 4; Latin Club 1; Music Class 1, 2, 3, 4.

BOBBY JOHNSON - Bus Drivers' Club 4; F.F.A. Club Treasurer 4.

DENNIS JOHNSON - Treasurer of Homeroom 1,2; Vice President Junior Class; Secretary Senior Class; Acorn Club 2.

THOMAS JOHNSON - Sergeant-at-Arms of Student Council 2; Chairman of Ground Committee 2; Acorn Club 3; Latin Club 1; Winner in School Conservation Contest 3; Winner of County Soil Conservation Contest 3; County Representative in District Conservation Contest 3; Junior Play; Marshal 3; County Red Cross Skit 3; Editor-in-Chief of Oak Leaf - Junior Edition 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Debate Club 4; Secretary of Student Council 4; Student Council 2, 4; Chairman of Traffic Committee 4; Cheerleader 4; National Honor Society 4; Cheerleader Play 4; Most Intellectual 4; Best All Around 4; Best Dressed 4; Most Likely to Succeed 4; Junior Homeroom Treasurer; Most Pleasing Personality.

WILLA MAE JOHNSON - Feature Editor of Oak Leaf 4; Library Staff 1, 4; Acorn Club 2, 3, 4; Acorn Club Secretary 3; F. H. A. Club Secretary; 4-H Club 1, 2; Latin Club 1; Bus Drivers' Club 3.4.

A. B. JONES - President of F. F. A. Club 3; Vice President of Senior Class 4; Bus Drivers' Club 4; F. F. A. Club 3, 4.

BILLY RAY LASSITER - Homeroom Secretary 4; Treasurer of Bus Drivers' Club 4; Secretary of Junior Class; Glee Club 4; Latin Club 1; Faculty Play 4; Junior Play; Male Quartet 4; Class Historian.

EDWARD LASSITER - Basketball 2; Vice President of Freshman Class; Library Staff 3; Monogram Club 3,4; Annual Staff 4; Oak Leaf Staff 4.

JEAN MASSENGILL - Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Acorn Club 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; Oak Leaf Reporter 3, 4; Junior Class President; Editor-in-Chief of Annual; Best All Around; Most Likely to Succeed; Latin Club 1; Junior Play; Chairman of Calendar Committee 4; Marshal 3; 4-H Club 2.

BARBARA MAYES - Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Marshal 3; Acorn Club 2, 3, 4; Secretary of Latin Club 1; Junior Play Cast; Assistant Editor of Annual 4; Oak Leaf Staff 4; Senior Class Prophet; Student Council 4; Junior Homeroom Chairman; Sophomore Homeroom Chairman Most Intellectual; Music Class 2, 4.

EDITH GREY PARKER - Glee Club 1; 4-H Club 1, 2.

JOSEPH PARRISH - F.F.A. Club 3; Bus Drivers' Club 4; Acorn Club 3.

PEGGIE ANNE POWELL - Glee Club 2,4; Treasurer of Acorn Club 3,4; Junior Play; Latin Club Calendar Committee 4.

BROOKIE STRICKLAND - Latin Club 1; Acorn Club 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Student Council 1; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Oak Leaf Staff 4; Biggest Baby; Biggest Flirt; All County Basketball Player 3.

JEAN TEMPLE - Homeroom Chairman 2.

BOWDEN THORNTON - F. F. A. Club 3, 4; Bus Drivers' Club 4.

KATIE LEE WILLIFORD - Acorn Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Library Staff 2.







"Memories"

My, how important we felt when we entered Four Oaks High School as Freshmen! But what greenhorns we actually were! We try, however, to forget our mistakes and remember the best parts of our high school years.

Our new teachers were Miss McMillan, Miss Tolbert, and Mr. Smith. At our first class meeting we elected as president, Maurice Canaday, who turned out to be a capable leader. During the year we were kept busy with our studies. We left school in the spring with pleasant memories of the year gone by and dreams of a rosy future.

We were glad to see dear old Four Oaks High when we returned after our summer vacation, even though the upperclassmen did tease us by calling us "silly sophomores." We were in such good spirits that our teachers, Mrs. Wilkins and Mr. Smith, had a hard time keeping us in line. Again Maurice Canaday was chosen president of the class. That year we had our first dose of raising money. We bought the school a new wire recorder and were proud of our effort.

The next fall we returned to school as Juniors under the leadership of Mrs. Wilkins and Mr. Smith. That year we engaged in many pleasant activities. For the first time in the history of our school the Juniors gave a play, "The Atomic Blonde", which definitely was atomic. It brought such a crowd that, with the help of magazine sales, we were able to give the Seniors a banquet long to be remembered. Our success was due to the leadership of President Jean Massengill, Vice-President Dennis Johnson, Secretary Billy Ray Lassiter, and Treasurer Kay Ray Blackmon. But finally the Junior year came to an end and we found ourselves looking forward to becoming Seniors.

We came back to school in the fall as a class of fifty-three Seniors. lla Frances Allen was elected president; A. B. Jones, vice-president; Dennis Johnson, secretary; and Waylon Adams, treasurer.

Many activities have been crowded into this last year. One after another, all major offices have been filled, such as those on the Oak Leaf Staff, Annual Staff, and the Student Council. The first really big event was the arrival of our rings. Then came parties and other important events. As we look back over these years we find that they have been worth the mishaps and hardships we have experienced along the way. Now as we go forth to our careers our heads are high with hope, and our thoughts are filled with the memory of all the good times we had at Four Oaks High School.

Billy Ray Lassiter, Historian

"Round me at twilight come stealing, Shadows of days that are gone."







"Life Is So Peculiar"

As I was ushered into the church by Bruce Brown, a promising young attorney, soft strains of music reached my ears. Looking up, I saw Marjorie Allen seated at the organ. Then I looked around and saw that Billy Ray Lassiter, who had acquired the title of "the most eligible bachelor in New York", Thomas Baker, a young artist already receiving the acclaim of the critics, and Waylon Adams, Manufacturer of the famous "Micky" midget cars, were busily ushering in guests.

I was seated beside Jean Massengill, now receptionist for the mayor of the city of Smithfield, none other than Thomas Johnson. After expressing our joy at having met, I saw a group from our home-town of Four Oaks appear at the door. Among them were Brookie Strickland, a secretary for the Register Lumber Company, Kay Ray Blackmon, a young wife, very prominent in society circles, Thelma Allen, a young teacher in the Four Oaks School, and Elizabeth Price and Louise Powell, telephone operators in the new telephone office in Four Oaks. As they sat down beside me, they said that Dorothy Allen couldn't make the trip because she was busy getting her basketball team in shape for the coming tournaments.

The church rapidly filled while we were chatting; then Maurice Canaday, sometimes called a second Ezio Pinzo, got up to present a program of nuptial music. During the last song, the much-sought-after divorcee, Alma Jean Blackmon, appeared on the scene. As she walked sedately down the aisle, murmurs of admiration followed in her wake.

After the program of music came to an end, the society photographer, Edward Lassiter, began adjusting his camera. Linwood Barbour, Earl Allen, and Billy Adams, all newspaper reporters, began to take notes. The minister, Charles Capps, took his place at the altar as the bride and groom, Shirley Johnson and Billy Blackmon, came forward, followed by Marjorie Barbour, the maid of honor. I could hardly believe that they were the businessmen and secretaries I was accustomed to encounter almost every day on their way to work. Then came the bridesmaids, whom I found to be Vivian Hansley, owner and proprietor of a bakery, Merle Norris, a happily-married housewife and Edith Gray Parker, an up-and-coming laboratory technician. Billy Hockaday, manager of a hotel in New York, had been chosen as best man. The groomsmen were Elwood Adams, a successful banker, Joseph Parrish and Norwood Bizzell, co-owners of an up-to-date dairy farm, and Bowden Thornton, operator of a parking lot.

The bride was attired in an exquisite wedding gown from "The Peggy Powell Bridal Shop." She wore a purple orchid from the Johnson Florist Shop, owned by Willa Mae Johnson and her husband, Dennis Johnson.

After the wedding, the couple left the church in Creech's Taxi, driven by Billy Creech. When I left the church, I met lla Frances Allen, who invited me home with her. While we sat in her living room, she told me many interesting facts about our classmates of ten years back. Betty Stanley and Jean Temple had recently become airline hostesses. Margaret Haskett was the new editor of the "Four Oaks Daily News." This interested me very much, and I picked up the latest edition. I found that all the local business firms were congratulating the "Creech Interior Decorators, "operated by Brookie Creech and Lillian Creech. On the front page was news of Sarah Barbour and Retha Jernigan, missionaries, who had just left for Africa. 1 was sorry to learn that Bobby Johnson, owner of the City Barber Shop, had cut his throat while shaving. However, he was expected to recover, since the noted surgeon, A. B. Jones, was attending him. Muriel Allen and Katie Lee Williford were nurses in the local hospital. I was amazed to read that Gray Hayes and Doris McLamb and their grooms were honeymooning at Niagara Falls. As I finished reading the paper and leaned back in my chair to review the days events, it came into my mind that I had either seen or heard something about each one of my senior classmates, and I felt a sense of pride that they were all doing so well. In that respect the wedding had been unusual, but then "Life is so Peculiar."

Barbara Mayes, Prophet







"That's For Me"

We, the Senior Class of Four Oaks High School, of Johnston County, North Carolina, do revoke all wills and codicils heretofore made by us, and do hereby make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament in manner and form as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Senior Class leaves to the Juniors their ability to stand in two straight lines, which Miss Tabor can see between.

ARTICLE II. To the Sophomores and Freshmen, we leave our brilliant brains. That's a laugh.

ARTICLE III. Muriel Allen leaves her friendliness to Evelyn Hansley.

ARTICLE IV. A. B. Jones leaves his great dependability to Gene Baker. It is a very desirable character trait to have Gene.

ARTICLE V. Peggy Powell leaves her true blonde hair to Peggy Gilbert and Shirley Coats. I guess Peggy P. would say, 'It just comes naturally.''

ARTICLE VI. Bettie Stanley leaves her homeroom period whispers to anyone who doesn't get a chance to talk enough before the tardy bell rings.

ARTICLE VII. Bruce Brown leaves his job of carrying the newspapers to the library to anyone going by the Post Office early in the morning. Whoever gets the job, please get to school on time.

ARTICLE VIII. Sarah Barbour leaves her ability to drive carefully to Faye Brown. Watch that accelerator, Faye!

ARTICLE IX. Billy Hockaday leaves his position on the mound to Charles Upchurch. Bill can really slug that ball too, Charles.

ARTICLE X. Margaret Haskett leaves her industriousness to Faye Lee. Faye, one as industrious as Margaret will surely be successful.

ARTICLE XI. Billy Adams leaves his seat in chemistry class and his title of "the biggest flirt" to J. G. Medlin Jr. J. G., chemistry plus studying yields good grades, but chemistry plus girls yields the opposite.

ARTICLE XII. Kay Ray Blackmon leaves her sweet disposition to Norma Gray Blackmon.

ARTICLE XIII. Doris McLamb leaves her beautiful set of teeth to anyone who hasn't any of her own. See Doris for measurements.

ARTICLE XIV. Bowden Thornton leaves his shyness to Horace Keen. Don't be too shy, Horace. ARTICLE XV. Thelma Allen leaves her curls to Doris Jean Allen. Make good use of them Doris Jean.

ARTICLE XVI. Gray Hayes leaves her quiet ways to Peggy Mahler.

ARTICLE XVII. Edward Lassiter leaves his brains, wit, and place on the Honor RoII for the first six weeks to Haywood Lee. Haywood, you'll have to see Edward about the rest of the six weeks during the year.

ARTICLE XVIII. Marjorie Barbour leaves her good looks and popularity to Jo Ann Lee.

ARTICLE XIX. Merle Norris leaves her ability to get a diamond to Sallie Mae Holly. She can 'cut a rug' pretty good too, Sallie Mae.

ARTICLE XX. Waylon (Wayman) Adams leaves the knack of keeping his hair carefully groomed to Orville Love. Start grooming, Orville! A pair of scissors would come in handy too!

ARTICLE XXI. Dorothy Allen leaves her title as the 'most athletic girl' and her jokes to Airlee Barbour. We prefer the basketball, Airlee!

ARTICLE XXII. Dennis Johnson leaves his job of "buzzing" the buzzer to any Junior who likes to buzz around.

ARTICLE XXIII. Jean Massengill leaves her ability to scram out of a jam to Laura Beth Sanders. Jam gets mighty sticky, Laura Beth.

ARTICLE XXIV. Edith Gray Parker leaves her Iove for speech class to any nervous person. ARTICLE XXV. Brookie Strickland leaves her flirty ways to Geraldine Beasley. Brookie decided to keep her athletic ability; it might come in handy at W.C. next year.

ARTICLE XXVI. Bobby Johnson leaves his curly hair to Durwood Johnson. We want to see some curls, Durwood.

ARTICLE XXVII. Louise Powell leaves her habit of blushing to Edna Mahler. Your face is red, Edna.

ARTICLE XXVIII. Norwood Bizzell leaves his "Southern drawl" to Harold Lee. You almost have that down pat any way, Harold.

ARTICLE XXIX. Elizabeth Price leaves her ambitious ways to Ethelene McCabe. That's a mighty fine characteristic for one to have, Ethelene.

ARTICLE XXX. Linwood Barbour leaves his manliness (200 lbs. of it) and his wisecracks to David Sneed. David, you better start eating a second plate of food at your meals and add a few vitamins.

ARTICLE XXXI. Brookie Creech leaves her love for history to anyone who cares to know his past. If anyone is interested, see Mr. Smith or Mr. Woodard.

"That's For Me"

ARTICLE XXXIV. Jean Temple leaves her luscious mile to Jewell Lassiter. Come on Jewel; give us a great big smile.

ARTICLE XXXV. Joseph Parrish leaves his way with the girls to Lindsey Parker. Joseph decided to keep his wavy hair.

ARTICLE XXXVI. Willa Mae Johnson leaves her jollity and the results of all her chemistry experiments to Mary Jane Upchurch. The jollity is becoming Mary Jane, but watch out for the results of those chemistry experiments!

ARTICLE XXVII. Elwood Adams leaves his basehits, including doubles, triples, and homeruns, to Mack Johnson. Better start getting some batting practice, Mack.

ARTICLE XXXVIII. Ila Frances Allen leaves her speaking ability to Ruth Lassiter. It will be useful, especially if you get caught "speeding" Ruth.

ARTICLE XXXIX. Charles Capps leaves his fine bass voice to Kennth Johnson. Kenneth, see Charles and find out how he makes the girls swoon with his manly voice.

ARTICLE XL. Marjorie Allen leaves her titles of the "cutest" and the "best dressed", to the most deserving Junior girl. Okay girls, primp up a little.

ARTICLE XLI. Billy Blackmon leaves his friendliness to Ray Allen. It surely does come in handy, Ray.

ARTICLE XLII. Katie Lee Williford leaves her silly giggles to Jean Lassiter. You have enough already, Jean.

ARTICLE XLIII. Billy Ray Lassiter leaves his title as the handsomest and his seat in the glee club to Harrison Allen. Billy Ray decided to keep his wonderful sense of humor, because it keeps him laughing.

ARTICLE XLIV. Shirley Johnson leaves her dear old seat in typing class to Iris Rose. Make those fingers fly, Iris, but don't throw the typewriter out the window.

ARTICLE XLV. Thomas Baker leaves his quietness and industriousness to Carl Langdon. Those are mighty worthwhile characteristics, Carl.

ARTICLE XLVI. Alma Jean Blackmon leaves her intellectual ability to Gladys Hatcher. Being able to use one's head is a good characteristic, Gladys.

ARTICLE XLVII. Thomas Johnson leaves his business-like ways and all his murder mysteries to Stanford Adams. Thomas really knows some bloody ones.

ARTICLE XLVIII. Retha Jernigan leaves her bashfulness to Christine Hockaday. You bashful thing, you!

ARTICLE XLIX. Vivian Hansley leaves her size to Marie Barbour. Marie, you'll have to get in touch with Vivian and get the recipe she used.

ARTICLE L. Earl Allen leaves his fine physique, especially those biceps, to Pete Lassiter. He leaves his maddening typing hours to any moron.

ARTICLE LI. Barbara Mayes leaves her temper to Barbara Stanley. That's something to control. Barbara.

ARTICLE LII. Maurice Canaday leaves his geometry stupidity to anyone who has no more sense than to take it.

ARTICLE LIII. We, the Senior Class, leave our sincere gratitude and utmost thanks to our teachers, who've guided us from year to year in all the things we've tried to do.

In testimony whereof, We, the said Senior Class of Four Oaks High School, have signed the preceding typewritten page which together with this page constitutes this our last will and testament and do hereunto set our hands and seal this third day of December, 1950.

The Senior Class Of Four Oaks High School (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said Senior Class to be their last will and testament in the presence of us who at their request and in their presence and in the presence of each other do hereto set our hands as witnesses.....

Blondie and Dagwood Hot-Rod Happy Li'l Abner Lucille Sweeney Moon Mullins

ATTORNEY - Maurice Canaday



"Who Knows?"



What Is Rolling Off The Press - An Exam, Or The 'Oak Leaf''? Who Knows?

"KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE STARS"



Juniors



DORIS JEAN ALLEN



HARRISON ALLEN



JERLINE ALLEN



RAY ALLEN



BETTY LEE BAKER



AIRLEE BARBOUR



MARIE BARBOUR



REECE BARBOUR



SHELTON BARBOUR



MARJORIE BAREFOOT





GERALDINE BEASLEY NORMA GRAY BLACKMON



SYLVIA BROCK



FAYE BROWN



SHIRLEY COATS



EVA COLE

Juniors



KATHERINE COX



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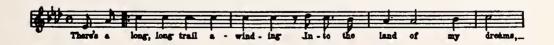
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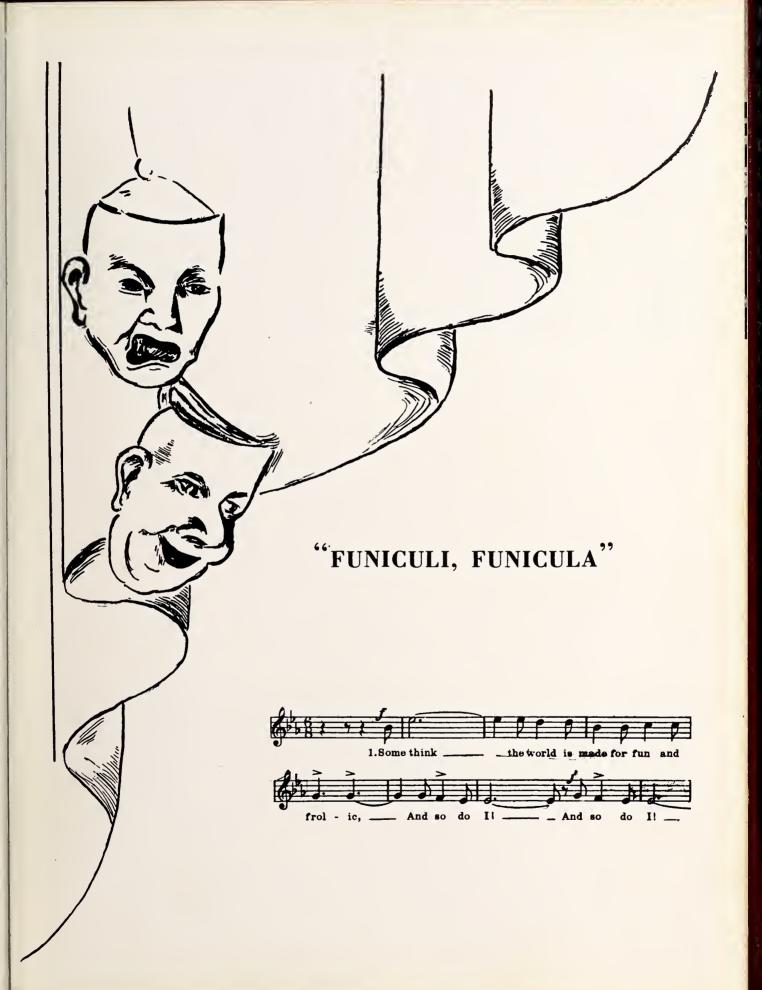
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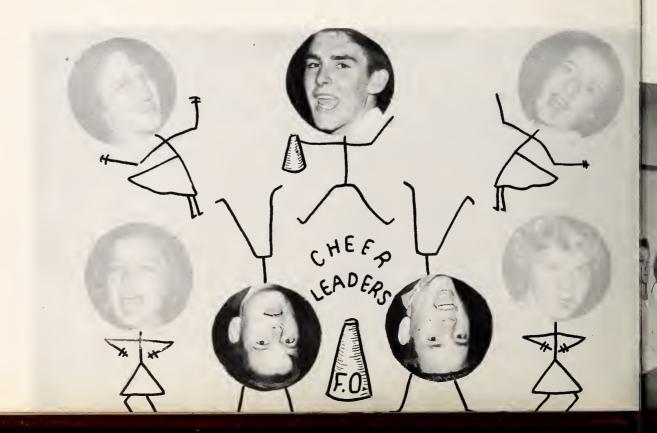
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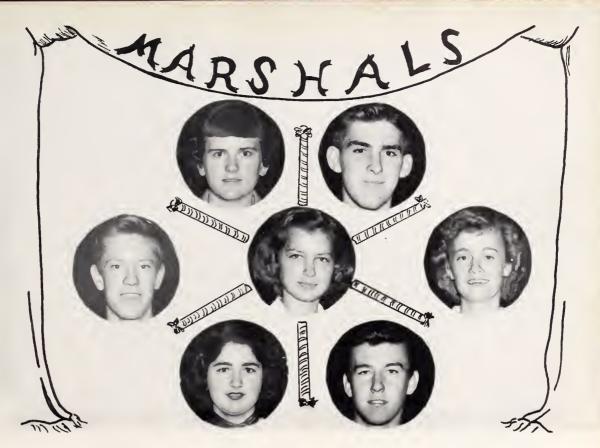
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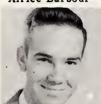
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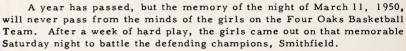






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Basketball



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Push it, David! Block that ball, Carl!



Come on Lindsey, split the nets! Get that ball, Haywood!



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Tag him out, Donald!



Hey Elwood! Slug that ball! Catch it, Bill!

Baseball



Fire that pill right past him, Bill!



Flip it, Reecie!



Put the wood to it, J. G.!



Come on, Billy! Throw that leg up and cut loose!

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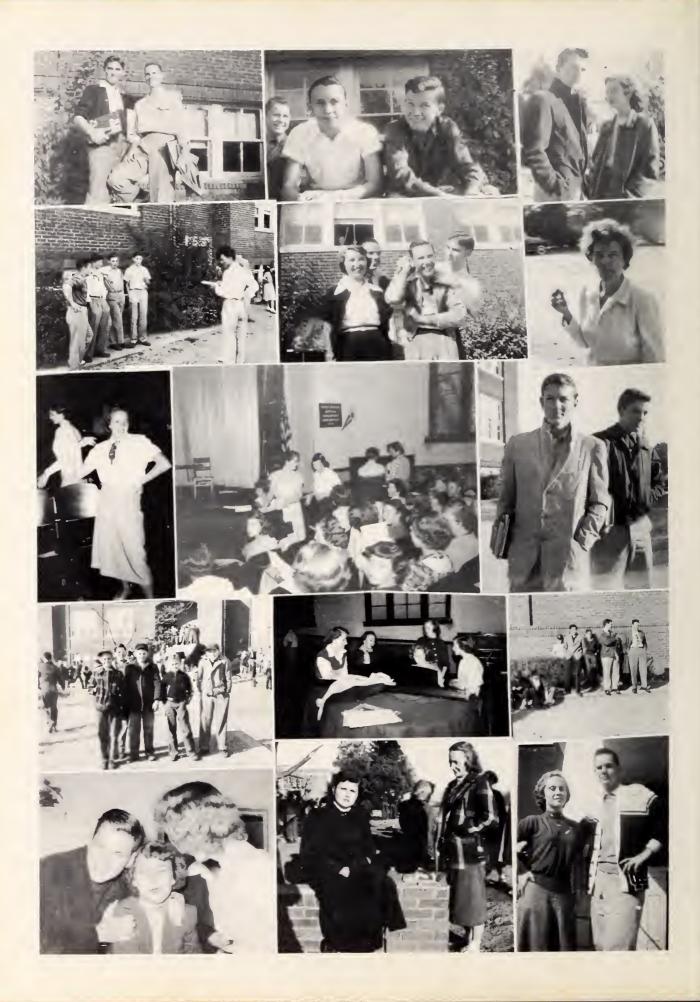




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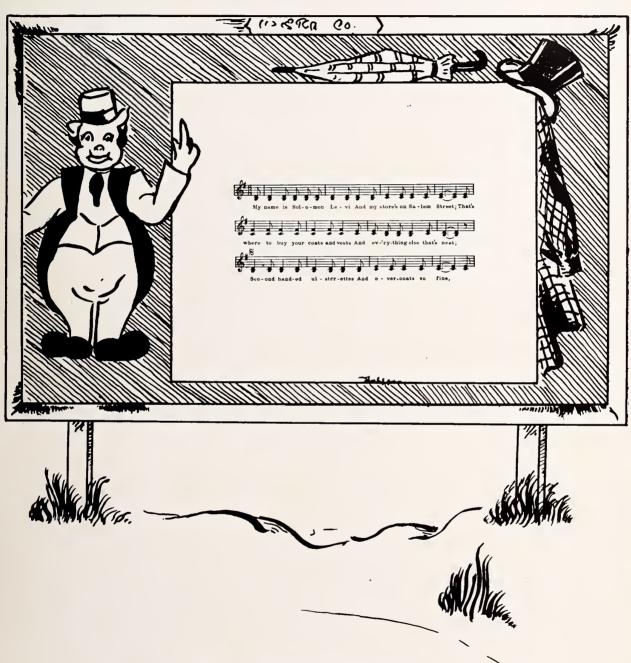
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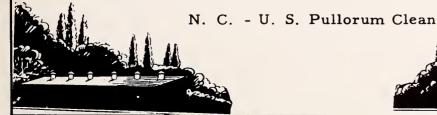
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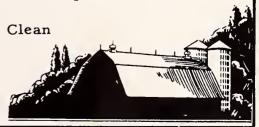
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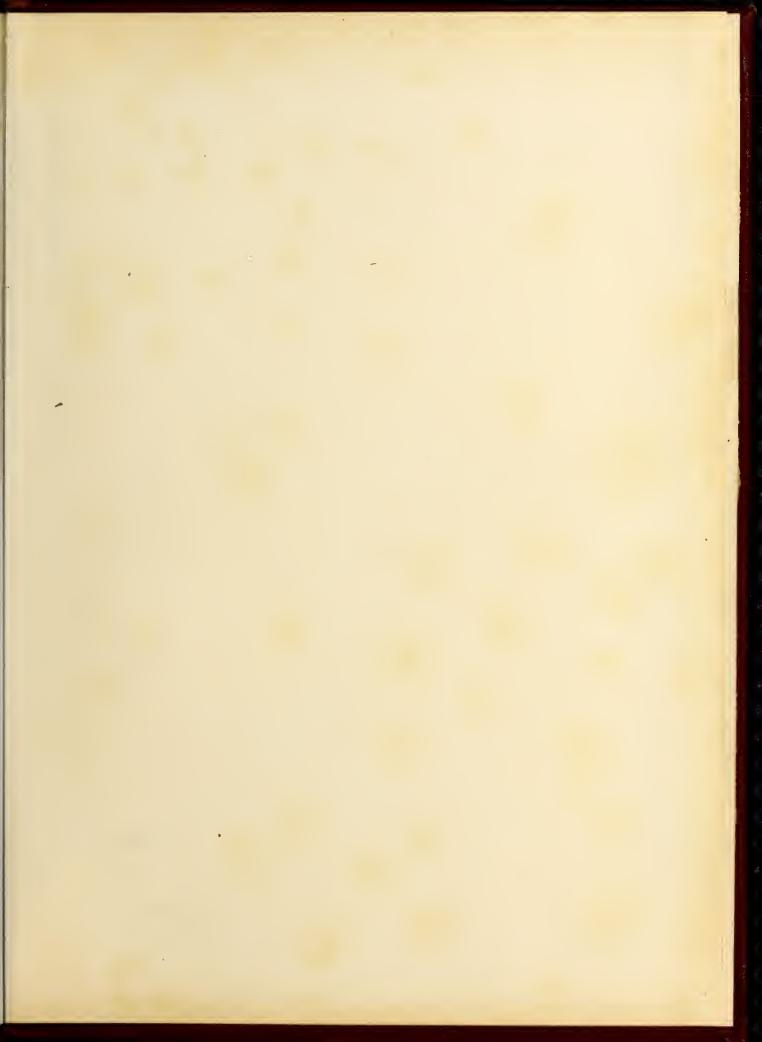
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